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Combined Armed Forces Day and Great Get Together draw crowds of thousands

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LOCAL FAVOURITES: a riding display by the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery

SOME 28,000 people of all ages went along to the Royal Artillery Barracks in Woolwich on Saturday for the combined Armed Forces Day and Great Get Together event.

It was one of the biggest celebrations of Armed Forces Day in the UK, and crowds were treated to a programme celebrating the borough's proud military heritage.

At the heart of the event was a large arena with impressive military displays and marching bands. Also on show were military and vintage vehicles, including some of the guns and vehicles from the town's Firepower museum, plus historical re-enactments.

The Band of the Royal Yeomanry and the Glenduart Pipes and Drums performed, and there was a riding display by members of the Woolwich-based King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery. The Tigers parachute display team from the Woolwich-based 2nd Battalion Princess of Wales's Royal Regiment also dropped in - from the skies.

Other attractions included a parade by the AJS and Matchless Owners Club and a quad bike stunt show, along

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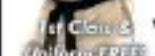
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The following meetings take place at the Town Hall, Wellington Street, unless stated otherwise.

July 3 - Greenwich Area Planning Committee, 6.30pm

July 9 - Corporate Parenting Panel, 7pm.

More information on 020 8921 5130 or at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/meetings

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PATRICIA SEWARD, Eltham: 'I took this in Greenwich Park the other day.'

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Tarn is top of my parks list

THE Tarn, a Royal Greenwich park is located opposite Mottingham station. It has been celebrated in two recent events. Friends of the Tarn planted a Japanese maple tree to thank Jane Chandley for the work she has done volunteering as a warden in the park and for the articles she has written for newspapers and journals. Approximately 25 people gathered in the park to celebrate the occasion. Jane's poem also received a special award for her poem entitled 'The Tarn' at the Eltham in Verse competition. Both events were excellent for raising the profile of this wonderful park – and I would recommend Greenwich Time readers come and visit.

Erica J. Williams, Eltham
● GOOD shout, Erica, the Tarn is a favourite here at GT. As part of the ParksFEST festival there's also an event at the Tarn on July 28 - 'Song and Dance at the Tarn'. See p15 for more details. Ed

Appalling state of the cemetery

Star Letter

MY brother and I visit our parents' grave each week and have noticed over the years a decline in the way the cemetery is kept. At first glance from Cemetery Lane, it looks lovely, the grass has been cut and it is neat and tidy. The children's area always looks nice, but as you go further into the cemetery you can either see long grass, or grass that has been cut and left in clumps over graves.

When I visited this week it looked appalling, large clumps of dried grass everywhere and numerous graves have their metal vases missing. I am sure that some of the missing vases are due to the volume of the scrimmers that have displaced the vases, although some may have been stolen.

Why is the grass not cleared up when cut, it looks a total disgrace. I am sure that if a royal visit was taking place at the cemetery then the whole place would look neat and tidy. We do not rely on the council to cut around our parents' grave as we keep it neat and tidy. But

what about those who cannot do it? They do not deserve to walk into the cemetery and see their graves covered in clumps of grass.

I have been in touch with the parks department and their response is: "Unfortunately, due to seasonal conditions the grass has in places got longer than usual. In the damp weather conditions grass will stick to memorials and lay on graves. I can assure you the cemetery's ground maintenance teams endeavour to keep inconvenience at a minimum." I attach a photo that I took this week.

Janet Gosling, Blackheath



● Thanks for raising this issue, and the council apologises for any distress this may have caused you and your family. The grass in the cemetery is cut every two weeks as a standard and this normally ensures that it is kept at an acceptable level. The local parks team will be asked to keep the situation under review and cut it more frequently should it be deemed necessary. The council leaves the cuttings on the ground as an environmental measure as this allows them to break down and return nutrients to the soil. The council will continue to listen to the views of people who visit the cemetery and respond accordingly.

The lost postcode

THANK you for the article on Battle of Britain pilot Richard Reynell - I am very pleased to see that his heroic sacrifice is to be marked locally. Just a relatively small criticism though...The Point has an SE10 postcode rather than SE3.

David Whittaker, SE10

● Thanks for pointing that out David - duly noted! Ed

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DON'T FORGET TO RECYCLE YOUR COPY OF GREENWICH TIME

by Dick Townsend-Smith

THE borough's nursing and care homes have been in the spotlight, with a series of open days and visits.

Daisy Gray was celebrating her 104th birthday when Royal Greenwich Mayor, Cllr Angela Cornforth, popped into Meadows House in Tudway Road, Kidbrooke to offer her congratulations. The centre is home to a pioneering scheme running to help dementia patients remember their past.

The home opened its doors along with other as part of National Care Home Open Day on June 21. And it was a chance for visitors to learn more about the innovative project at the Meadows which is helping residents with Alzheimers.

A corridor has been laid out like a street scene, and equipped with memory-joggers, including post and telephone boxes and a bus stop. It is called Memory Lane, and includes a room crammed with artefacts and memorabilia such as old flat irons which residents can remember using.

Each person's room has a painted front door so it looks like a private flat and there is also a sensory room, with calming lights, a projector showing birds flying over the walls, and other sense stimulators.

Care home manager Isabel Nyirenda said: "We don't want clients to feel institutionalised, so we made the corridor into a street scene and it gives them something to talk about. The sensory room relaxes agitated clients and has brought changes in their behaviour."

She added: "The project has been running since last summer, and its impact is making a difference because our clients are calmer. It's an unusual way of dealing with dementia, and we've had lots of managers from other care homes visit us to see what we do here."

Pauline Penfold from Eltham, who has been married to husband Jack for 55 years, told GT: "Jack is 81 now, and he is so happy here. He is well cared-for and everyone is so kind. It's really

Care home open day marks 104-year-old's birthday

Upsy Daisy!



BIRTHDAY GIRL: Daisy Gray surrounded by her family and Greenwich Mayor Angela Cornforth. Below left, she blows out the candles with daughter Carol

fantastic here and the décor is lovely. It helps him remember some of the old ways, because the atmosphere is so laid back and so nice."

Other nursing and care homes were visited by Deputy Mayor Cllr Mick Hayes, and Cllr John Fahy, the royal borough's cabinet member for adults and older people, who said: "The idea behind the day was to encourage communities to go into their local care homes and to connect with residents and staff. It was a chance to dispel some of the myths about residential care and showcase some of the excellent services and high quality of care available in the heart of our communities."

● Find out more about your care options at www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/adultcare



Information drop-in on Crossrail

AN information event is being held for residents in Abbey Wood about preparation works for Crossrail.

The drop-in event is next Thursday, July 11, from 1 to 7pm at the Abbey Wood Community Group Centre, 4 Knee Hill, Abbey Wood, SE2 OYS. It's being hosted by

Network Rail which is carrying out works to existing rail network in preparation for Crossrail. Rail engineers will be on hand to explain details of survey works happening from July 15 to August 24, as well as the construction timetable. Crossrail is a multi-million pound project set

to provide a direct link from Maidenhead and Heathrow in the west to Shenfield and Abbey Wood in the east.

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with performing dogs and birds of prey demonstrations.

Outside the main arena there was a huge and varied list of attractions for all ages, including an activity zone, where people could have taster sessions of sports like basketball, taekwondo and boxing, plus fairground rides, street entertainers, a land train, and zorbing balls.

There were free inflatables to have a go on, and a play area set aside for younger children. Children could also get to meet farmyard animals. Local services and charities showed what they do in the community marquees, with a total of 200 stalls. And there was no risk of going hungry because of the big range of different food stalls with tempting treats on offer from around the world.

Also on show were vintage and modern police vehicles, together with police dogs and horses.

On stage was an exciting programme of live music and dance, including X Factor star Jade Ellis. There were also performances by the Greenwich Concert Band, a samba band, the Eltham-based Marjorie Hawkins Irish Dance Troop, Tamil dances, and the Chickenwing Allstars reggae band.

Cllr Chris Roberts, leader of the royal borough, said: "This was a great family day out, bringing people together from every part of our community. We have a long and proud military heritage in this borough, and we were delighted to work alongside our colleagues in the armed services to put on this day which was enjoyed by all."

Better

Armed Forces Day and Great Get Together draw huge crowds



THE SKY'S THE LIMIT: The Tigers parachute team dropped in on the event to join thousands of local residents

WHAT A SPECTACLE: a stunt bike display ensured cheers from the crowds reached new heights.



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off together



PROUD TO SERVE: a parade of army veterans are applauded by thousands of local residents including the Mayor of Royal Greenwich, Cllr Angela Cornforth



STAR ATTRACTION: performers including the X Factor's Jade Ellis kept the crowds entertained on the main stage



THE BAND PLAYED ON: Flag-bearers and military bands including The Band of the Royal Yeomanry and The Glenduart Pipes and Drums entertained crowds at the event.



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Green Chain cafe guide

A NEW guide will help walkers on the Green Chain to find a friendly spot for a cuppa.

The Green Chain Refreshment Guide identifies over 20 great cafés on or near the Green Chain Walk. Cafés in Royal Greenwich include the Mulberry Tea Rooms at Charlton House and Oxleas Wood Café - a family friendly place with stunning views.

● The guide is available in libraries and leisure centres and online at www.greenchain.com/ebrochure/cafes/. The Green Chain is a 50-mile network of paths connecting 300 parks and open spaces across SE London and is funded by five London boroughs including Royal Greenwich.

CLlr Harpinder Singh, the royal borough's cabinet member for Greener Greenwich said: "Summer is the perfect time of year to get out and explore the beautiful surrounds and history we have here in the region! All these are accessible through the Green Chain Walk."

● For details of events click the "What's On" page at www.greenchain.com, or sign up to the quarterly newsletter by emailing events@greenchain.com

Men in Sheds up for award

A PROJECT which helps older men out of social isolation is up for a National Lottery award.

And locals are urged to vote for them over the next few weeks.

The Men in Sheds project is one of seven finalists in the Best Voluntary/Charity Project category of the National Lottery Awards. Run by Age UK's Bromley and Greenwich branch, the project helps older men, some of whom may be socially isolated, to join in practical tasks and enjoy social contact in a fully equipped working shed. The awards recognise and celebrate lottery funded schemes and projects which have made a difference to people, places and communities all across the UK. More than 900 applications were made in seven categories and the winning organisations stand to win a £2,000 cash prize to spend on their project. The winners will be chosen by public vote and locals have until July 24 to vote for the shed project.

The Cutty Sark is also a finalist in the Best Heritage Project category of the awards.

● To vote visit www.lotterygoodcauses.org.uk

NHS shake up to take 2 years

RESIDENTS in Greenwich and Lewisham concerned about changes to healthcare are assured that no changes are being made to services for at least two years.

The government announced in January that Lewisham Healthcare NHS Trust and Queen Elizabeth Hospital should join together by October 1 2013 to form a new organisation - the 'Lewisham and Greenwich NHS Trust'. An NHS spokesperson said: "There has been much speculation on the government's plans to make changes to Lewisham's emergency and maternity services in the future. This is currently subject to a judicial review process, and it is important to stress that no changes to these services would be made until alternative arrangements are in place - which would take two to three years. In the meantime, it is 'business as usual' at both hospitals."

by Dick Townsend-Smith

HISTORIC Greenwich Park and its grass, roads and footpaths are now in a better state than even before it hosted events for last summer's Olympics and Paralympics, says park manager Graham Dear.

A huge reinstatement programme has been carried out, involving reseeded and re-turfing the grass, and repairing and replacing roads. The costs have been met jointly by the Games organisers LOCOG and the Royal Parks.

Manager Graham is now looking ahead to the future of the park. He told GT: "All the reinstatement work was delivered on time, and I'm really pleased. The road leading to the Blackheath gate has been replaced and is all brand new. It's already been used as a location for a new film called 'Before I Go To Sleep'. We had Nicole Kidman being filmed walking along to the General Wolfe statue, with a woman on a bike, a boy on a skateboard, and two dogs, as extras. So our new road in the park is going to be in a Hollywood blockbuster!"

Graham added: "Film companies like using Greenwich Park and we usually get one big one being shot here every year. It's also used for advert shoots and still photographs and all adds up to a significant stream of revenue for the Royal Parks."

Coming up are four Sundays of concerts, sponsored by the Friends of Greenwich Park.

"The park is looking a lot greener than it usually does at this time of the year," said Graham, "mainly because it's been so cold and rainy. It's as good as it's been for years and years, and I'm very pleased with it."

The last bit of re-turfing was in front of the Queen's House, at the end of spring. A total of 350,000 square metres of turf,

A litter



VOLUNTEER litter-pickers collected 15 sacks of rubbish during a community clean up in Abbey Wood, and made an impression on passers-by who praised them for their efforts.

Seven locals patrolled the streets and alleyways from Bostall Gardens in Viola Avenue ending up at the train station Wilton Road on a Saturday morning.

It was the most recent event organised for Love Where You Live month which is urging local people to take greater care of their neighbourhoods.

The clean-up event was organised by the royal borough - which encourages residents to raise concerns about issues such as dog fouling, litter and fly tipping through its Environment Champions scheme.

Students and teachers from the Shooters Hill 16-plus campus in Bexley Road are helping to clear litter in New Eltham's Fairy Hill Park tomorrow and Thursday (July 3 and 4) as part of the preparations for a summer fair run by the Friends of Fairy Hill Park. The event on Saturday, July 6 runs from 12-4.30pm in the area by Crossmead, New Eltham SE9 3AA.

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In great Nic!

'Better than ever' Royal Park fit for a blockbuster

grown on Romney Marsh in Kent, was used.

Graham stressed: "We had to be careful laying the new turf, because we have what we think could be the site of a Second World War gun emplacement on the Queen's Field in front of the Queen's House, and another circular architectural site 10 metres across. Until it is excavated, no-one really knows what it is, but we had to be careful we didn't disturb it."

The park hosted equestrian and modern pentathlon events during the Games, and attracted 400,000 visitors and 75 competitive horses.



'VERY PLEASED': Park Manager Graham Dear



MAJESTIC: The Queen's Field now reinvigorated, and top right, Nicole Kidman who was shot in a movie which was set in the park



NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A PREMISES LICENCE. LICENSING ACT 2003

Notice is given that MR NIRMAL SINGH BASSAN, 32 ELTHAM HILL, LONDON SE9 5JX has applied for the GRANT of a Premises Licence for the following premises:

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IN THE BAG: volunteers gather to see their haul after the community litter-pick in Abbey Wood



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Watch fete is best ever

MORE than 40 stall-holders showcased their wares and services at the sixth community fete hosted by the Eaglesfield Park Neighbourhood Watch Scheme (EPNWS). The event included local community groups, schools, businesses, clubs, charities, social groups and service providers who joined forces to show how they help to make the community a great place to live, work and visit. Visitors put their skills to the test at mini tennis, golf and driving the model trains. Charlton Primary School brought their bees and chickens, with Christ Church Primary School sweetening up the day with bags of candy floss. Other attractions included animals from Woodlands Farm, a puppet show, live music and pond dipping with Friends of Eaglesfield Park. Greenwich Met Police Borough Commander Richard Wood co-opened the event with Kalea and Caitlin—winners of the fete poster competition (pictured). Jenny Penn, EPNWS principal co-ordinator said: “We had the biggest number of participants with over 40 stands, stalls and activities. It was a chance for families to meet the groups that help make our community great. I am really proud of what we achieved and it shows that community spirit is alive and well.”

- For news on safety and security, and future community activities visit the Shooters Hill Neighbourhood Watch Schemes website at www.shnws.org.uk

It's so good to get good at IT!

New Eltham courses offer job skills training

by Dick Townsend-Smith

TRAINING in IT and digital skills, as well as courses in making people more employable, are being offered at the Eltham Centre library.

They are run by the Exchange Group, a charity which helps people get the skills they need to get a job, or progress in the job they already have.

The group has set up in a training room previously run by UK Online, and held a recent open day, when people could find out more.

Wendy and Robin Underwood, who have been married for 43 years, are doing an IT course together.

“We use a PC at home but we kept losing things on it,” said Robin. “We wanted to find out how to stop this happening. We know the basics, but not the theory behind the basics. So we signed up for the course. We come in three days a week for three hours a time, and this is our second week. It's harder than we expected, but definitely worthwhile.”

Wendy added: “The staff are very helpful, and don't make you feel silly. They have a lot of patience, and they take time to explain things.”

On offer is training in:

- Digital skills, such as learning to use Facebook, Skype, digital photos and music
- IT courses, including Microsoft Office,



ONLINE TOGETHER: Wendy and Robin Underwood on the course at the Eltham Centre library

the software package for word processing, spreadsheets and presentations. People can learn how to use it and gain a qualification

- Employment essentials, with short courses to help with applying for a job.
- Brushing up maths and English skills, leading to a qualification.

“We are focused on providing training and support customised to the needs of the

individual,” said centre manager Debbie Kiely. “Exchange Group is government-funded and is able to provide free and subsidised training to all eligible learners.”

“This is a free service to anyone in the community on benefits, however we can also offer free and subsidised courses to those not on benefits.”

● **FOR more information go to www.exchangegroup.co.uk**

ROYAL BOROUGH OF GREENWICH
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
The Greenwich (20 MPH Zone) (No. 27)
Traffic Order 2013

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich on 26th June 2013 made the above-mentioned Order under section 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended. The Order will come into operation on 8th July 2013.
2. The general effect of the Order will be to impose a 20 miles per hour speed limit on motor vehicles in **Cadle Road** and **General Wolfe Road**.
3. Further information may be obtained by telephoning Strategic Transportation on 020 8921 2184.
4. The Order and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order are available for inspection during normal office hours until the end of six weeks from the date on which the Order was made, at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Royal Borough of Greenwich, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, SE18 6HQ.
5. If any person wishes to question the validity of any of the Order or of any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or that any requirement of that Act or of any instrument made under that Act has not been complied with, that person may, within six weeks from the date on which the Order was made, apply for that purpose to the High Court.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation
The Woolwich Centre,
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Dated 2nd July 2013
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1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Royal Borough of Greenwich intends to make an Order to accommodate carriageway works in Anglesea Road. The effect of the Order would be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering, exiting, proceeding or waiting (including waiting for the purposes of loading or unloading) in Anglesea Road, between the south-eastern kerb-line of Woodvich New Road and the north-western kerb-line of Brookhill Road.
2. The above restrictions would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs. Vehicular access to properties affected by these measures will be maintained whenever possible.
3. Whilst the closure is in operation, the alternative route for vehicles would be via Woodvich New Road, Sandy Hill, Brookhill Road and Anglesea Road.
4. The Order would come into force on 10th July 2013 and would continue in force for up to 18 weeks, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner.
5. Queries concerning these works should be directed to the Royal Borough of Greenwich's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 6624.

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Closing date: Wednesday 17 July 2013 Interviews: Monday 22 July 2013

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Bikes on DLR 6-month trial

CYCLISTS with non-folding bikes are allowed on the DLR as part of a six-month trial.

The trial will be used to monitor how cyclists interact with the station environment and other DLR passengers. During the trial, which started yesterday (July 1) non-folding bicycles will be allowed on DLR trains from Monday to Friday during off-peak hours (not between 07.30 and 09.30 or 16.00 and 19.00) and all day at weekends and bank holidays. For safety reasons bicycles will not be allowed at Bank station.

During particularly busy times, if there are safety concerns or an incident occurs, the carriage of non-folding bicycles may be restricted or suspended.

Posters are being displayed at stations and leaflets distributed to publicise the conditions of the trial.

Fundraiser feast

TREASURE hunters and wine enthusiasts are in for a treat courtesy of Greenwich Oxfam this July and August. Their summer events kick off tomorrow, Wednesday July 3 with a cheese and wine evening from 7pm till 10pm at Pistachios Cafe on the East Greenwich Pleasaunce. Tickets are £12 with all proceeds going to Oxfam's Syria Crisis Appeal. For tickets visit www.wegotickets.com/event/228705. Also at Pistachios Cafe later in the month is the End of Term

Swishing Party on Friday July 19 at 6pm till 9pm. Entrance is free and visitors should bring at least one item of clothing to swap or donate to the charity. The annual Great Greenwich Treasure Hunt returns for its second year on Saturday August 31. The search rummages around Greenwich Park and will end at the East Greenwich Pleasaunce. For more information call Katy on 07759 456 749 or email info@oxfamgreenwich@gmail.com

Red bus winner

THE Big Red Bus Club has been named one of the Best in Greenwich in the UK's biggest parenting competition.

The charity which runs in Charlton Park, Cemetery Lane Entrance, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 12.30-3pm term time, was voted the area's most popular under-fives play centre in the prestigious competition run by Britain's largest parenting site Netmums.com.

From September 2013 the Big Red Bus Club will be launching Play Plus a stay and play targeted at children and families with special educational needs. Details on the group from Annie Keys on 07739021750.

Bridge fun day

THE Bridge at East Greenwich Pleasaunce is hosting a fun day to raise money for a cancer charity. It takes place on Friday July 19 at the venue just off Trafalgar Road, in aid of Yes To Life, which helps cancer sufferers who can't be treated with

orthodox medicine. There'll be stalls selling new and second hand items, cakes and refreshments, a bouncy castle, face painting and a raffle. It's free entry, and runs from 3.30pm until 6.30pm. For more info call 07980 462 701



THEY'RE OFF: joggers make first use of the new 3-2-1 routes in Sutcliffe Park, Eltham, cheered along by Cllr Peter Kotz

Just the jog!

3-2-1 routes for fun and fitness

by Peter Cordwell

YOU don't have to be an Olympic hopeful like Daryll Neita to make the most of the new 3-2-1 jogging routes marked out in Sutcliffe Park, Eltham.

In fact, the routes - with three different distances - are more for you than they are for 16-year-old Starting Blocks star Daryll and other members of local club Cambridge Harriers that use the athletics track in the park.

"I think it's a really good idea," said Daryll, who opened the 3-2-1 routes with Cllr Peter Kotz, the the royal borough's cabinet member for cultural and creative industries.

Daryll, from Lee, won the English Schools 100 metres last year with her best time of 11.63 seconds. "I'm hoping to make the World Youth Championships in Ukraine next month.

"My main ambition is to get to the Olympics.

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JOINT EFFORT: Daryll and Cllr Kotz at the routes launch

If I made Rio that would be like a test for me and the next two would be the main ones. I hope to make athletics my career and it's great to get early support from Greenwich Starting Blocks."

One group that definitely make the most of the new facilities is the Running Sisters, who have their own coach in Christine Bond. She told GT: "We have 15-plus runners every week with ages ranging from 30

to 70-plus.

"As a Run England group the 3-2-1 routes give us a safe and clearly guided area which helps us to measure pace and improvements over the distances being run. It's a really excellent facility."

Cllr Kotz added: "I'm sure that joggers from all over the borough will make use of the 3-2-1 routes, such a simple yet brilliant idea from Run England. They can see how they improve but really this is about enjoyment, health and fitness. They can also use the routes when it's most convenient for them."

● FIND out more at www.runengland.org



by Peter Cordwell

FOR blind sailor Sharon Grennan the answer is literally blowing in the wind - and it's helped her win a gold medal at the blind sailing world championships in Japan.

Thirty-five-year-old Sharon, who lives in East Greenwich, made her debut in the GB team that came back as world champions from the week-long International Fleet Racing Championships in Japan.

Sharon, in a 24ft long keelboat with another visually impaired and two sighted sailors, won gold as helm - doing the steering - in the B1 class.

"I rely on feeling the direction of the wind on my face and how the boat feels and reacts," she told GT. "Wind awareness is vital to me while the sighted people I sailed with look at the shape of the sails and little ribbons on them called 'cowtails'.

"It's interesting sailing with them because they are looking for different things."

Sharon, who works for a law firm, has been sailing for five years. "I went along to the selection weekend last autumn and was pleased and surprised to get into the team.

"There were three boats in different races and we won two gold medals and one silver, which gave us the overall Squadron Cup. The racing was very close and tactical with a lot of close-quarter sailing."

There were 15 races spread over a week - three races per day - and GB won seven of them outright. Sharon said: "Initially the Japanese teams were doing well in the light winds but the GB teams did well when the winds picked up a bit because that's how we had trained.

"I was absolutely thrilled as well as surprised to have done so well. It was

Blind sailor Sharon wins debut gold for GB in Japan

Licence to keel!



SAILED HOME: Sharon Grennan, third from right, with the GB team that won the world blind sailing champions in Japan

difficult to take in really. All our hard work, teamwork and communication paid off."

Sharon took up sailing after going on a yacht cruising holiday. "I enjoyed it but found it a bit tame," she said. "Then someone told me about blind sailing and

keelboat racing, and invited me along. Every boat is set out in a different way so it's very important that I find out where everything is.

Sharon also skis, listening to the skier ahead of her playing music from a rucksack, and took up tandem cycling,

raising money for the trip on a sponsored ride to Brighton. The future? "There's a possibility of having an event for visually impaired sailors in the 2020 Olympics," she said, "and the next blind sailing world championships will be in two years, not four, so we've got that to aim for."

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Gym Instructor

Week of sport changes venue but 2,000 pupils from a

The spirit of th

by Peter Cordwell

BLACKHEATH'S Brooklands primary school were the overall winners of this year's Sportathon.

It was a different venue, but the wonderful spirit of the Greenwich Sportathon was undimmed. If anything, it was more compact and intimate at the Sutcliffe Park athletics stadium, creating a new and unique buzz through all 66 borough primary schools taking part. And one philosophical little lad put the importance of sport in a nutshell. Eight-year-old Keiran from Thorntree primary in Charlton told GT: "Today is brilliant. it's not about if you lose or win, it's about taking part. If you want to win so much and you lose, you will not be very happy. But there's always next year to win!"

Keiran, a Charlton Athletic supporter, was in his stride now, adding: "Sport also gives you strong bones and helps you to build up your muscles. I would like to be a PE teacher when I grow up. I like ICT as well. You can learn about computer engineering."

Keiran's school was one of 17 taking part on the Tuesday (June 25) of the week-long event that had two visits from Mayor Angela Cornforth and medals

"I'd like to be a teacher myself when I grow up, a reception teacher teaching the young ones."

An innovation this year was the wheelchair relay on the track with able-bodied youngsters getting to experience what it's like for disabled children. Eight-year-old Foxfield pupil Zara said: "It looks easy but it's pretty hard."

"This is my first Sportathon and it's been really good. You get fresh air and more energy. We have our school sports day on Friday so this is good practice."

One feature retained from the barracks event was the dance section run by the Greenwich Dance and fronted by ace mover Temujin Gill, who was choreographer for the NHS section at the London Olympics opening. "It was a lot of hard work but a lot of fun as well," said Temujin, who teaches Lindy Hop at the GD.

"The Sportathon is lovely, really great. The young people get a chance to work collectively as a break from all the competitions, so it works really well."

As well as the track events, children took on target sports involving, netball, basketball, handball and hockey. Helping them were volunteer sport leaders from the London Leisure College and Plumstead Manor, Thomas Tallis and



NOT SO EASY: one of the pupils competes in the wheelchair relay on the Sutcliffe Park track while (right) a pupil hits the target in the handball competition

presented on Friday by Cllr Peter Kotz, the cabinet member for cultural and creative industries.

"We were blessed this year with decent weather," said Cllr Kotz, "and the atmosphere was every bit as exciting as it was during 2012. All the children showed tremendous enthusiasm for the Sportathon, which has become a jewel in our sporting crown and a wonderful legacy from the Olympic and Paralympic Games."

One of the children, nine-year-old Caitlin from St Thomas More in Eltham, said: "It's really fun. I did really well in the hockey. I like sport because it keeps you fit. I quite like swimming and gymnastics and my favourite lessons are PE and ICT."

Eltham Hill secondary schools. One of them, 15-year-old Zonaria Hussain from Plumstead Manor, said: "This is the first time I've done this. It's really fun and is giving me more skills and confidence to work with other people."

Alexander McCloud won Tuesday's event to go through to the final with Bannockburn and Timbercroft, following Monday's trio of De Lucy, Greenslade and Charlton Manor. Wednesday's top three were Brooklands, Conway and Mulgrave.

"The Olympics and Paralympics may have come and gone but let's hope the Greenwich Sportathon will be with us for generations to come," said Cllr Cornforth.



all 66 borough primary schools make sure it keeps...

ne Sportathon!



BOLT CELEBRATION: children learn the cool move to celebrate a win, with Temujin Gill from the Greenwich Dance



HOOP THE TARGET: it's nonstop netball action as pupils try to pile up the points in the target competition



JOLLY GOOD SHOT: concentration the key in the hockey and over the hurdles



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BOROUGH HALL

Steve Harley and Cockney Rebel and Tristan Mackay. Fri Jul 19
 THE Greenwich Summer Sessions relocate
 to the Borough Hall for one night only later
 this month.
 South-east London lad, Steve Harley and
 his Cockney Rebel take centre stage on
 July 19, after a set from West Country blues
 man Tristan Mackay.
 Cockney Rebel struck chart gold with *Make
 Me Smile (Come Up and See Me)* in 1975,
 after starting out in folk clubs around the
 capital. The group's appearance at GSS
 follows summer festival stints at Rewind
 and the Isle of Wight.
 Devon-born Tristan Mackay is on the bill
 after topping the iTunes blues chart in
 2012 with his debut album *'Out Along the
 Wire'*.
Steve Harley and Cockney Rebel
 featuring Tristan Mackay is on
 Friday July 19 at Borough Hall,
 Royal Hill, Greenwich at 7pm, Tickets
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 greenwichsummersessions.co.uk](http://www.greenwichsummersessions.co.uk)

SCENE



THE next leg of the Royal
 Greenwich Festivals is
 the **Greenwich World
 Cultural Festival** on
 Sunday July 14.

It's a free, one-day outdoor festival at
 Eltham Palace which is a celebration
 of dance, music, theatre, art and circus.

It is the fifth year of the GWCF, which
 is produced by Greenwich Dance and
 Greenwich Theatre in partnership
 with English Heritage and Royal
 Borough of Greenwich.

The theme of this year's cultural
 festival is the Great Gatsby and the
 jazz age – reflecting the Art Deco
 stylings of Eltham Palace.

There will be family workshops for all
 ages, as well as cabarets on the lawn,
 dance in the Great Hall, live music
 from the period, pop-up performances
 hidden away in the garden rooms and
 picnics with your local Greenwich
 community.

Director at Greenwich Theatre,
 James Haddrell said: "The festival is a
 fantastic opportunity to see the iconic
 grounds of Eltham Palace as you've
 never seen them before, animated by
 professional dance, theatre and music
 from around the world.

"This year there will also be a
 chance to celebrate some of the
 best homegrown performers from
 Greenwich, alongside a host of
 workshops giving people the chance to
 try out something new."

Kat Bridge, artistic director at
 Greenwich Dance added: "With one-
 day-only free entry to the grounds, this
 is a fantastic opportunity to visit one
 of Greenwich's most iconic locations.

"Everyone is welcome for
 an unforgettable afternoon of
 entertainment from some of the best
 local and international artists."

The day starts at 12.30pm and
 runs until 5pm. More info at [www.
 royalgreenwich.gov.uk/festivals](http://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/festivals)

..and thanks

ONE hundred young people took part
 in a spectacular outdoor performance
 of 'One Million' - the finale of this year's
 Greenwich+Docklands International
 Festival, at the Royal Arsenal on the
 weekend, as part of the Royal Greenwich
 Festivals.

Created by theatre company Tangled
 Feet and involving local young performers
 from GLYPT, Millennium Performing Arts,
 Academy Performing Arts, Thomas Tallis

Thoroughly

MUSICALS get a bad rap – and rightly so, some
 would argue. But if all music-led performances
 were as accessible as **One Georgie Orwell**, the
 genre would surely draw plaudits from a far
 broader chunk of society.

Its protagonist would no doubt have
 approved – Orwell himself was a man who
 despised elitism. The five-man cast that took
 to the stage at Charlton House seemed like
 the kind of chaps who'd have been as at home
 sharing a tale and an ale down the local pub as
 they would treading the boards at the Old Vic.

Haute culture!

The Royal Greenwich Festivals continue next week with the **Greenwich World Cultural Festival** And there's more outdoor fun with **ParksFEST**...



GREAT ENTERTAINMENT: street performers from the Greenwich + Docklands Festival

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a million

School and the University of Greenwich, the production took its name from the fact that the number of unemployed 18 – 25 year olds in the UK will reach one million in 2013.

Live music, mobile stages, aerobatics and pyrotechnics celebrated the huge creative potential, of young people. The performance followed workshops at the Woolwich library with performance poet Anthony Anaxagorou, where local young people created lyrics for the show.

EXPLOSIVE ACTION: fireworks climax



Orwellian...

The narrative – a sort of potted history of the writer born Eric Arthur Blair – was woven cleverly through passages of his own prose alongside new words penned by GT's own Peter Cordwell, put to music by Charlton's Carl Picton. It was a re-airing of the play which premiered at Greenwich Theatre last year, and it had benefited from away days around the UK and forays into schools. The cast were more at ease with the text, and the musical side in particular had mellowed with age – much like its author. There was one change in personnel – the

affable presence of local lad Steven George (who took the plaudits as happy-go-lucky Trotter in the superb *Journey's End* at Greenwich Theatre), stepping in as narrator.

The night was another string to the bow of Global Fusion Music & Arts who hosted the evening, demonstrating once again Louisa Le Marchand's eye for vibrance and variety.

The Old Library is not a traditional theatre space – built for silence rather than acoustics, but the creaky floor (the ghost of Roger Norman doffing his cap perhaps) and the mezzanine stacked with books lent a literary weight to the show which Greenwich Theatre's – albeit acoustically superior – surround did not.

If the highlight of the first half was the should-be-a-hit song, 'Coming Up For Air',

crooned by pianist Bill Crow, then after the interval it was a far more rambunctious affair.

It was here that the intimidating presence of Chris Knott came to the fore, first with the audience-baiting 'Road Sweeper', before launching into a thoroughly compelling passage from *Animal Farm*.

Orwell's dystopian apex, 1984 had its moment, with Hugh Barnett in wide-eyed terror as he was tortured by Knott's bully boy guard for not lying well enough...and then for lying.

One Georgie Orwell took its cues not from the traditional musical genre, but from the more buccaneering, gonzo offerings like Woody Guthrie bio-dram, *Woody Sez*, and was all the better for it.

Rod Kitson

WIN WIN WIN!



Tickets to Hyde Park summer fest

INTERNATIONAL music artists are turning up the heat for a series of open air concerts in the city this month.

The Barclaycard British Summer Time concerts in Hyde Park run until July 14 featuring top stars from around the world in an eight-day extravaganza of live music.

GT has five pairs of tickets for Friday July 12 from 2pm featuring Elton John, Ray Davies, Elvis Costello & The Imposters. We've also got another five pairs of tickets for Sunday July 14 from 2pm – featuring Lionel Richie (above), Jennifer Lopez (below) and Chic featuring Nile Rodgers.

To be in with a chance of winning a pair of tickets simply answer the following question: **Where did the Greenwich Festivals performance of One Million take place?**

Mark your entry 'BST concerts' and state your preferred concert date. Email your entry to GTimecomps@gmail.com by 5pm on Friday July 5.



Farce forward

GREENWICH Theatre plays host to *Four Farces* on July 4 and 5.

There's more than a hint of Monty Python to the European Arts Company, who have previously appeared at the theatre with Chekhov's *Shorts* and *The Pickwick Papers*.

More info and tickets go to www.greenwichtheatre.org.uk or ring 020 8854 7755



TAKE FIVE: Hugh Barnett in scene from play's 1984 segment

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by Grace Lipski

DO you have what it takes to be the next Jamie Oliver, Alan Sugar or Stella McCartney?

If so, take your first step in to the future with Futureversity 2013. The summer programme kicks off this month and runs through August with a wide range of free activities and courses for 10 to 19 year olds - or up to 25 for people with learning disabilities.

The activities take place in locations around the borough including Plumstead Manor School, Charlton Athletic Training Ground, and Greenwich and Lewisham Young People's Theatre (GLYPT). They're organised under the headings of Arts and Fashion; Business and Careers; Digital Media, Film and Photography; Music and Performing Arts; Sport, Fitness and Wellbeing and Skills for Life.

Aspiring cooks can get their pots on the fire with skills for life classes including young Master Chef 2013, cake-making and decoration and first aid.

Budding business heads can attend a creative business course, public speaking and presentation masterclass and a careers crash course while young fashionistas can get designing with fashion drawing and illustration classes, make-up and beauty therapy sessions and t-shirt printing and baseball cap design.

For sporty types there are boxing, fencing, basketball and archery courses.

Activities have been organised by the royal borough in consultation with young people including representatives from Greenwich Young People's Council.

GYPC rep Rafiat Aguda said: "Futureversity courses offer something for everyone and they're a good springboard for people who want to continue their interests further or acquire useful experiences which

Bright futures

Youths sign up for free summer activities

might help them accomplish future goals."

The royal borough's cabinet member for children's services Cllr Jackie Smith said: "It's fantastic to be able to provide free opportunities to the next generation, to help them access training opportunities

for future employment, improve their confidence and equip them with further interpersonal skills."

● **Full details of the courses on offer can be found at www.futureversity.org/greenwich or call 020 7247 7900 for more details.**



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Undertakers open after repair works

BACK TO BUSINESS: Family and staff gather for the official re-opening of Plumstead funeral directors Andrew Johnson by former Mayor David Grant last month. The shop at 156 Plumstead Road closed last year after a car crashed through the shopfront.

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GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Edition 346

How the lettings policy works

Housing applicants are placed within 'Bands' according to the Royal Borough of Greenwich's policy for letting homes. Your band information is on the letter that the Council sent you when you registered, or when your circumstances changed. Property adverts say which band can apply and any other criteria. When all the bids are received, the property is then offered to: For properties advertised for band A and band B - the applicant who has had this priority status for the longest time. For properties advertised for band C applicants - the applicant who has been registered on the Council's list for the longest time.

BAND

- A** is for applicants in unsatisfactory housing, including people moving due to demolition and those underoccupying their homes.
- B** is for applicants the Royal Borough of Greenwich must prioritise according to the law, particularly homeless people, and others with an urgent need to move for medical or welfare reasons.
- C** is for all applicants on the housing register, including those that are in priority bands A and B.

How do I apply?

1

Get on the list

First, you've got to be on the housing waiting list to join the scheme. If you're not, register an application on line at

www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk

2

Find your applicant number

It will be on the letter you've already had from the Royal Borough of Greenwich about the new scheme. You'll need that number and the reference number of the property you're after, which will be on the advert.

3

Pick out your ideal property

by looking in *Greenwich Time* or regularly checking the website:

www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes

Click on your preference on the website. If you don't have a computer, you can always use one for free at either The Eltham or Woolwich Centre or a local library.

4

Apply in one of two ways

- Phone the 24-hour hotline 020 8921 4340. It's an automatic push-button system and calls will be charged at the normal local rate, or
- Via the Royal Borough of Greenwich's website www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes

The next edition of **GreenwichHomes** will be available on **Wednesday 10 July 2013 at midday** and will include any Housing Association properties when available. Closing date for all applications for this issue is midnight on **Sunday 7 July 2013**.

24-hour hotline

The Greenwich Homes
(Choice Based Lettings) Telephone
Bidding Line is available in:
English 020 8921 4340

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choix ») Ligne téléphonique de
demande disponible en français
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Dựa trên Sự chọn lựa) ở:
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£153.19pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 179330
Woolwich New Road SE18
3 Bed 6th Floor Flat
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Ref Number: 179331
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Ref Number: 179398
Anstridge Road SE9
3 Bed House
Gdn Rad C/H
£124.76pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 179425
Panfield Road SE2
2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat
Lifted Gas Fire & Rad C/H
£91.52pw Bands A&B



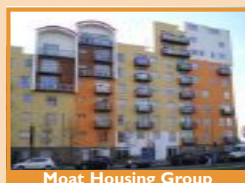
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2 Bed 2nd Floor Mais
Unlifted Rad C/H
£96.76pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 179429
Wythens Walk SE9
2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat
Unlifted Entry phone
Rad C/H
£103.80pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 114005
Elmgrove Point
Walmer Terrace SE18
2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Ent ph Rad C/H I alloc pkg
Pref to med. L/access shwr
£135.85pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 179460
Holly Court
Westpark Side SE10
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
Rad C/H No pets
£151.46pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 179441
Commonwealth Way SE2
2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Rad C/H
£92.01pw Bands A&B

Bands A&B Priority Applicants

Fewer Bands A&B priority applicants have been bidding for advertised properties in recent weeks.

Please note that if you do not bid on a regular basis you risk losing your priority status.

Please contact the office if you need help in bidding.

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If you are living in a Council property that is too big for you, we can help you to move to somewhere smaller. The Council will pay your removal costs, and £350 for each bedroom gained.

To join the scheme you must be willing to move to a home with two bedrooms less than you have now:

- 3 bedroom to a 1 bedroom home
- 3 bedroom parlour / 4 bedroom to a 1 or 2 bedroom home
- 5 bedroom to a 3 bedroom (or smaller) home

For more information contact the Project Team on:

020 8921 2671

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Anyone on the housing list can apply for these

Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties

If you are bidding for houses under Band C you must have 1 child under 16 years

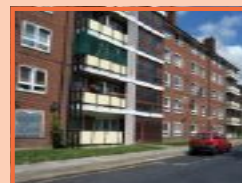


Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 99564
Brookhill Close SE18
3 Bed House
Gdn Rad C/H
Min 2 child 1 under 16
£180.00pw Band C

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Ref Number: 179104
Godfrey Road SE18
3 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Rad C/H No pkg
Min 2 child any age
£105.65pw Band C



Ref Number: 179178
Kingsman Street SE18
2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Entry phone Rad C/H
Min 1 child under 16
£95.77pw Band C



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 179328
Woolwich New Rd SE18
3 Bed 6th Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
Electric Rads No pets
Max 2 child any age
£153.19pw Band C



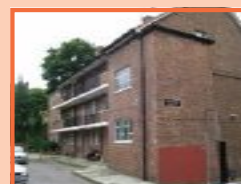
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Woolwich New Rd SE18
3 Bed 2nd Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
Electric Rads No pets
Max 2 child any age
£153.19pw Band C



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 179342
Sheppard Heights Love Lane SE18
2 Bed 8th Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
Electric Rads No pets
£138.60pw Band C



Ref Number: 179393
Rutland House Ogilby Street SE18
1 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted
Rad C/H No Pkg
£87.07pw Band C

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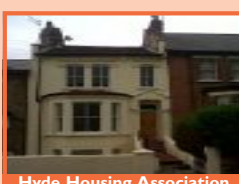
To find out more please visit:
www.houseexchange.org.uk or
www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/homes

Applicants over 50+ can apply



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 179405
Edith Pond Court Parkview Road SE9
1 Bed 2nd Floor Flat
Lifted Entry phone
Rad C/H No pets
£108.25pw Band C



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 179404
Ripon Road SE18
3 Bed Grnd Floor Mais
Gdn Rad C/H No pets
Min 2 child any age
£109.58pw Band C



Ref Number: 179434
Maxwell House Barnfield Road SE18
2 Bed 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted Entry phone
Rad C/H No pkg
£100.72pw Band C

Affordable Homes

Please note any Housing Association properties advertised in this way will have a higher rent charge



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 179400
Gilbert Close SE18
2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat
Unlifted Entry phone
Rad C/H No pets
£180.00pw Band C



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 179401
Earlswood St SE10
3 Bed House
Gdn Rad C/H
£180.00pw Bands A&B



Hyde Housing Association

Ref Number: 179420
Peel Place SE18
2 Bed 3rd Floor Flat
Unlifted Ent ph. No pets
Rad C/H 1 alloc pkg
£184.11pw Bands A&B



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 179468
Henrietta Close SE8
3 Bed House
Gdn Rad C/H
Pref to sev. overcrowd
RBG & H/A tnts only
£180.00pw Bands A&B

Important Notice

Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be **every Sunday at midnight.**

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

GreenwichHomes

Royal Borough of Greenwich's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

GreenwichHomes adverts

Greenwich Time is now being published 50 weeks a year and is delivered to all residents. GreenwichHome adverts are included in every issue.

For information or assistance

Contact our Allocations Team on:

020 8921 2941 Email: **housing-allocations@greenwich.gov.uk**

This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 343

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Sewell Road SE2 9XP	3	HOUSE		withdrawn	
Frances Street SE18 5JU	2	FLAT	427	16/04/2010	C
Ridgebrook Road SE3 9QL	3	PARLOUR HSE	165	21/07/2011	B
Davern Close SE10 0HP	1	FLAT	85	07/02/2011	B
Barnfield Gardens SE18 3QT	3	FLAT	335	20/06/2008	C
Flintmill Crescent SE3 8LY	3	HOUSE	98	22/07/2011	B
Panfield Road SE2 9DQ	3	HOUSE	116	14/05/2010	B
Ricardo Path SE28 8AQ	3	FLAT	296	18/10/2006	C
Arthur Grove SE18 7EP	3	MAISONETTE	55	20/12/2011	B
Mulberry Close Charlton Park Road SE7 8UB	2	FLAT	68	09/09/2011	B
Dyson House Blackwall Lane SE10 0RD	3	FLAT	36	25/01/2013	B
Icough Court Hassendean Road SE3 8UD	1	FLAT	87	08/08/1995	A
Throwley Close SE2 9LD	2	HOUSE	114	25/10/2012	B
Birdbrook Road SE3 9QH	3	HOUSE	189	24/08/2011	B
Gallon Close SE7 8SY	1	FLAT	362	30/03/2001	C
Godstow Road SE2 9AT	0	BUNGALOW	173	01/11/2010	C
Harden Court Tamar Street SE7 8DQ	3	FLAT	31	15/11/2012	B
Robert Street SE18 7LZ	2	FLAT	439	27/08/1997	C
Wordsworth House Woolwich Common SE18 4HR	1	FLAT	55	26/03/1991	A
Woodhill SE18 5HW	2	FLAT	24	22/01/2013	B
Nithdale Road SE18 3PD	1	FLAT	65	28/08/2012	A
Coupland Place SE18 7SW	2	HOUSE	752	17/09/2007	C
Mays Court Crooms Hill SE10 8BL	1	FLAT	96	22/07/2011	B
Cornbury House Evelyn Street SE8 5QP	2	FLAT	338	31/03/2010	C
Wade House Dickens Estate SE1 2DJ	1	FLAT	523	06/04/2004	C

BIDDING FOR PROPERTIES IMPORTANT NOTICE

We are always looking to improve the service we provide.

We have now made some changes to the way we advertise properties.

From 17 July 2013, people on the Housing Register will be able to bid for all properties, regardless of their banding. You must be eligible for the size property and bids will be considered in the following order:

First band A, followed by band B, both in priority date order. Those in band C will then be considered in registration date order.

Please note that there will still be some properties with age restrictions so only people of this age group can apply for these.

Next week's GT is out on July 09

**To advertise in
GT call
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or Nicola on
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**Royal Borough of Greenwich
Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (AS AMENDED)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management) (Procedure)(England) Order 2010
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (AS AMENDED)
Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990 (AS AMENDED)**

Notice is hereby given that applications have been made to The Royal Borough of Greenwich in respect of the under mentioned premises/ sites. You can see the submissions and any plans during the hours of 9.00am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday and 9.00am to 5.00pm on Saturday at:-

Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT

or at the library shown between normal opening hours.

If development proposals affect Conservation Areas and/or Statutorily Listed Buildings under the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (As Amended) this will be shown within the items below.

Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Please quote the appropriate reference number.

Date: 02/07/2013

Mike Howe - Chief Planning Officer

Publicity For Planning Applications

Applicant: Airwaves Solutions Limited Airwave Solutions Limited **12/2933/F**
Development: EAGLESFIELD ROAD, PLUMSTEAD, SE18
Permitted extension of 1200mm diameter transmission duct.

Drawing Numbers: NTR049/001 Rev A, NTR049/002 Rev A, NTR049/003 Rev A, NTRP Dedication, Design & Access Statement and Letters Dated 3/12/12, 11/12/12, 04/01/13 and 01/04/13.

Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT

Conservation Area: SHERWOOD PARK ESTATE

Applicant: Ms Gillian DuCharme **13/1225/F**

Development: 7, 3 & 4 ST ALFEGE PASSAGE, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9JS

Drawing Numbers: Construction of a new second floor (third storey).

Library: 7-45P-01, 7-45P-02, 2-45P-03, 2-45P/004, 1-45P-05, 7-45P-06, 2-45P-07, 2-45P-08, 2-45P-10 Rev D, 7-45P-12, Site Location Plan, Block plan and the Design and Access Statement.

Conservation Area: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BH

Applicant: Mr Bouzerda **13/1293/F**

Development: 38 Gloucester Circus, Greenwich, SE10 8RY

Drawing Numbers: Construction of side extension to existing mansard roof.

Library: 13831/01, 02, Site Location Plan and Planning Statement.

Conservation Area: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BH

Applicant: Mrs Carole Colvin **13/1303/F**

Development: 16 MARTIN BOWES ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 1LQ

Drawing Numbers: Erection of a single storey rear extension and replacement of existing windows with new UPVC windows.

Library: 1887/02, 1887/03 and Design and Access Statement.

Conservation Area: Eltham Library, 2 Anthony Road SE9 1HA

Applicant: Ms Stewart **13/1329/F**

Development: 36 BRAND STREET, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8SR

Drawing Numbers: Construction of a single storey rear extension.

Library: G4-01, G4-02, G4-03, G4-04, Design & Access Statement and SP-01 (Site Plan).

Conservation Area: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BH

Applicant: Mr Parrott **13/1355/F**

Development: 10 PARK VISTA, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9LZ

Drawing Numbers: Construction of a single storey rear extension.

Library: 10-PARK-VISTA-01 A, 02 B and Design & Access Statement.

Conservation Area: East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 0RL

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Hartono **13/1378/F**

Development: 83A HERVEY ROAD, KIDDERBURY, LONDON, SE3 8BX

Drawing Numbers: Erection of a two storey side and rear extension with roof to match existing, including the insertion of new timber doors and windows.

Library: HR-PL-EX-01, HR-PL-EX-02, HR-PL-EX-03, HR-PL-EX-04, HR-PL-GA-01 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-02 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-03 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-04 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-05 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-06 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-07 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-08 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-09 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-10 Rev A, HR-PL-GA-11 Rev A, Design and Access Statement, Site Location Plan and Letter Dated 4/4/13.

Conservation Area: East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road, London, SE10 0RL

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Vargas Buenos Aires Ltd **13/1379/F**

Development: FORMER MAMBO LATINO, 15 NELSON ROAD, GREENWICH, SE10 9JB

Drawing Numbers: Construction of rear Orangery to replace temporary gable and installation of extraction system and ducting to rear.

Library: Allocated No(1), 02, 03, Block Plan, Site Location Plan and Design & Access Statement.

Conservation Area: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BH

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Richards **13/1493/F**

Development: 3 KIDBROOKE GROVE, KIDBROOKE, LONDON, SE3 0PG

Drawing Numbers: Installation of pitched roof to side extension.

Library: 196/01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06, 07, 08, 09 and Design & Access Statement.

Conservation Area: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Vargas Buenos Aires Ltd **13/1380/L**

Development: FORMER MAMBO LATINO, 15 NELSON ROAD, GREENWICH, SE10 9JB

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Conservation Area: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BH

Applicant: Mr Parrott **13/1494/L**

Development: 10 PARK VISTA, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9LZ

Drawing Numbers: Construction of a single storey rear extension.

Library: 10-PARK-VISTA-01 A, 02 B and Design & Access Statement.

Conservation Area: East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 0RL

Applicant: Mr Bouzerda **13/1294/L**

Development: 38 GLOUCESTER CIRCUS, GREENWICH, SE10 8RY

Drawing Numbers: Construction of side extension to existing mansard roof.

Library: 13831/01, 02, Site Location Plan and Planning Statement.

Conservation Area: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8BH

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Vargas Buenos Aires Ltd **13/1380/L**

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DOUBLE DELIGHT:
two Greenwich
Eagles in practice
at the tennis hub
in Hornfair Park.
Inset below left,
more keen tennis
players test their
new skills

The Hornfair tennis hub serves them right

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"I played at school and then there was a 20 or 25-year gap and it took off from there. We play in the rain. Only snow and ice puts us off. We've been in the league about four years and we're just getting to the position where we're winning as many matches as we're losing."

Tim and his team put their improvement down to the professional coaching at Hornfair. He said: "My first serve is a lot better, my second serve is fairly consistent and my volleying, which I never really liked in doubles, has improved significantly."

"The facilities here are fantastic. I would recommend Hornfair Park to anyone who is looking to get into tennis. The courts are superb and there are excellent mini-courts for the kids."

Veteran coach John Hoskins runs the adult courses and will be involved in the launch of a 10-week course - Tennis IS Family Time - at Hornfair Park on Sunday, July 7, from 10am-noon.

"Each £3 family session will last for two hours and all the equipment will be provided. It won't be formal coaching, just a fun session to introduce families to the sport. We'll also be using softer balls

to make it easier, including a red ball for children that is almost a sponge ball.

"It will all be about enjoying tennis in a relaxed atmosphere but if we find promising young players we'll try to get them into our junior coaching scheme too."

Beginner Sue Duggan, a community nurse who also lives in Plumstead, was attending her third session. "It's going really well," she told GT. "John's a great teacher, very calm and cool, so it's a nice experience."

It's a sociable game and the facilities are brilliant."

A free tube of tennis balls will be offered to families at their first Tennis IS Family Time session and families that attend six sessions will be entered into a prize draw for a family day out at the National Tennis Centre in Roehampton.

Planning permission has been granted for floodlights to be installed and it's hoped they'll be in place by September. "It means we can right the way through,"

said John, "which will be great because this place has a lot of potential."

● **FIND out more about Tennis IS Family Time and Greenwich Eagles from Steve Johnston on 07875 133 510 or email greenwichtennis@gmail.com**

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Hornfair 'hub':
the home of
Wimbledon-
style thrills

by Peter Cordwell

THE first day of Wimbledon was the last for Rafael Nadal but nothing was going to shock Greenwich Eagles out of their Monday night practice at Hornfair Park.

Nowhere in the borough is the Olympic legacy more evident than at the council-owned sporting hub in Charlton that includes the refurbished lido, BMX track and basketball court.

Eagles captain Tim Dalton is a good example of someone who went missing from sport for years but wouldn't miss a session now.

"I've been playing tennis regularly for about seven years now," said Tim, 51, who lives in Plumstead. "We're playing league tennis, not to a very high standard, but we play all year round. It's very much social tennis and trying to keep the weight off the belly."

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IT'S GOOD AT THE NET: Monday night regulars - including Greenwich Eagles players - have a bit of fun at the net during practice

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